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Sequoyah,

We are now understanding from the Office of the Solicitor that part of the holdup on the Tejon recognition issue may have something to do with a lawsuit from some group which claims to be Tejon, and/or issues from some other groups showing up on the FAP wait list which also claim some connection to Tejon?

While early on Lee Fleming had raised some issues about some other groups (and we brought Dr. Johnson, the Tribe's anthropologist in to meet with Lee in person, and Dr. Johnson walked Lee through every question Lee raised), that was many years ago (before this Administration arrived), Lee at the time said he was satisfied with the answers, and no one has ever raised those issues again.

It is profoundly upsetting to hear that new (or old) issues continue to be raised so late in the process (the Tribe's Request has been awaiting action from the Bureau for five years, three of those years in this Administration). I know you are wildly busy, but if you could call me at your convenience I would be very grateful. My office is 202-457-6148, my cell is [REDACTED]

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Thanks very much Sequoyah,
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